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ANNUAL REPORT

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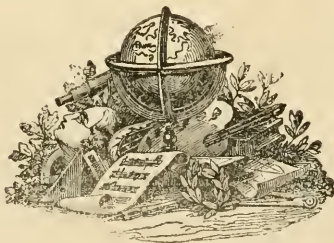
School Committee

OF THE

TOWN OF FITZWILLIAM,

For the Year ending March 14th,

1865.



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Extract from the Constitution of New Hampshire.

“ Knowledge and learning generally diffused through a community, being essential to the preservation of a free government, and spreading the opportunities and advantages of education through the various parts of the country, being highly conducive to promote this end, it shall be the duty of the legislators and magistrates, in all future periods of the government to cherish the interest of literature and the sciences and all seminaries and public schools.”

Extract from the Laws of New Hampshire.

“ It shall be the duty of all persons entrusted with or engaged in the instruction of the young, diligently to impress upon their minds the principles of piety and justice ; a sacred regard to truth, love of country, humanity and benevolence ; sobriety, industry and frugality ; chastity, moderation and temperance ; and all other virtues which are the ornament and support of human society ; and to endeavor to lead them into a particular understanding of the tendency of all such virtues to preserve and perfect a republican form of government, to secure the blessings of liberty and to promote their future happiness, and the tendency of the opposite vices to degradation, ruin and slavery.”

R E P O R T

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

In conformity to the law of the State the Superintending School Committee of Fitzwilliam respectfully presents to the town the subjoined report of the schools for the year ending March 14th, 1865.

There are self-evident truths which commend themselves to the judgment of every enlightened citizen.

That it is an important duty for the citizens of a republic to amply provide for the proper education of its children and youth.

That this is necessary to its existence. That an ignorant people are incompetent to sustain a free government.

That our safety and permanency as a nation depends upon the suitable and necessary education of all those who are to exercise the inalienable rights and privileges of free citizens.

That to secure these objects and means our Common School affairs are among the most momentous of all our concerns at this time.

Your Superintendent in preparing his annual report has studied brevity, not that he might be released from any required labor, but for other and more obvious reasons.

The twelve schools in town during the summer terms contained 255 scholars and during the winter terms 353.

An average of 17 weeks instruction has been given to each school: the amount of money raised by the town was \$1000 00
Amount received from Literary fund was 100 17

Total amount of money expended for schools, \$1100 17

The average cost of instruction given to each scholar during the year has been \$2 76.

It seems to your Committee that to attain a higher standard of scholarship in our Common Schools, longer terms are needed, and more thorough training, and to gain these ends the amount of money now raised by the town for the support of our schools is quite inadequate to secure this object.

A careful and impartial examination of our schools by more frequent visits on the part of parents and guardians will materially assist in reducing the number of known defects, and stimulate both teachers and scholars to greater exertions.

Your Committee is justified by the Registers of the several schools in saying that more than one half of the visits made to our schools during the year have been made by others than parents and guardians of the children.

No serious acts of insubordination or "rebellion" have occurred in our schools during the past year, the general results—that the Committee has not been called upon to expel either a scholar or teacher, nor has a teacher been obliged to retire on account of sickness or any other cause—and many other reasons warrant him in saying, that our schools have been prosperous and that there are evidences of a steady and progressive advancement in their efficiency and usefulness.

I will now proceed to notice more particularly the different schools in town and give to each a short statistical Report.

FIRST DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

MISS ANSTRIS S. WESTON, of Winchendon, Mass., Teacher.

Miss Weston commenced her school in this district with the reputation of a successful and experienced teacher, having taught in an adjoining town with success where I have served as Committee. The order of the school was uniformly good, the method of teaching systematic and thorough.

On account of sickness your Committee was not present at the examination, but from all reports the school was satisfactory to all concerned.

FIRST DISTRICT—WINTER TERM.

MISS ABBIE M. GREGORY, of Winchendon, Mass., Teacher.

This teacher entered upon her work with enthusiasm and zeal, which made the school a hive of industry—acquaintance with the scholars as she had taught in this district before—and a thorough familiarity with all the branches pursued, made the school a “No. 1,” in almost every particular.

Good order was insisted upon and maintained during the term, together with a hearty co-operation on the part of the parents.

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of school in weeks.....	10	13
Wages of teacher per month including board,.....	\$24 00	\$26 00
Whole number of different scholars,.....	32	46
Average attendance,.....	30	38
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending school, 0		0
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,.....	32	41
Scholars over 16 years of age,.....	0	5
Instances of tardiness,.....	4	7
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,.....	1	2
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,.....	1	1
Number of visits by citizens and others,.....	75	77
Amount of money, \$123 00.		

Prudential Committee, John N. Richardson.

SECOND DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

MISS CLARA ROBBINS, of Boston, Mass., Teacher.

The expectations of the Committee at the commencement of the term were fully realized at the close. Scholars in this school are disposed to govern themselves they well know what is becoming for good scholars. This teacher although one of the youngest who has taught in town during the year and unexperienced, possesses much skill and tact in teaching.

Commendable progress was made in Arithmetic, Reading, Grammar and Writing.

The School room at the examination was beautifully decorated with wreaths and bouquets of flowers.

SECOND DISTRICT—WINTER TERM.

MISS LIZZIE A. HOWE, of East Jaffrey, Teacher.

This school contained many good and thorough scholars and I am happy to say that in this district young Gents who have passed the age of seventeen years are not ashamed to attend a winter school under the tuition of a female teacher.

During the visits made by the Committee, the scholars were wide awake, and at the close gave ample evidence that rapid progress had been made, and thorough instruction given during the term.

Among the scholars in this school there is a splendid choir of singers, who performed their part most admirably at the examination.

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of School in weeks,	8	10
Wages of teacher per month including board, . .	\$16 00	\$20 00
Whole number of different scholars,	10	16
Average attendance,	10	15
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending school,	1	1
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,	9	10
Scholars over 16 years of age,	1	6
Instances of tardiness,	0	0
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,	2	2
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,	2	3
Number of visits by citizens and others,	30	36
Amount of money, \$76 00.		

Prudential Committee, Samuel Kendall, Esq.

THIRD DISTRICT—SUMMER AND WINTER TERMS.

MISS SARAH J. L. REED, Teacher.

Experienced, and a strict disciplinarian, she taught this school during both terms to the entire satisfaction of the Committee and the district. Miss Reed ranks high as an instructor and her labors in this school for several successive terms shows the results of the wise policy of retaining the services of a good teacher for several years.

But one instance of tardiness during the year. The reading in this school was excellent, thorough instruction was given in punctuation and the formation of words, a great deal of energy was exhibited on the part of both scholar and teacher. At the closing examination some fine original compositions were read and recitations given by the scholars which deserved much praise.

	S.	T.	W.	T.
Length of school in weeks,.....	7		11	
Wages of teacher per month including board,.....	\$21	00	\$27	00
Whole number of different scholars,.....	30		40	
Average attendance,.....	27		35	
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending,	0		0	
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,.....	29		29	
Scholars over 16 years of age,.....	1		11	
Instances of tardiness,.....	1		0	
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,.....	2		2	
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,.....	1		2	
Number of visits by citizens and others,.....	62		70	
Amount of money, \$107 00.				

Prudential Committee, Joseph P. Bemis.

FOURTH DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

MISS BETSY W. POLAND, of Winchendon, Mass., Teacher.

This teacher was quite young and inexperienced, this being her first attempt in teaching. There was a lamentable failure in government. No great interest was manifested on the part of the scholars or parents during the term.

FOURTH DISTRICT—WINTER TERM.

MISS EMMA H. BREWER, Teacher.

Miss Brewer evinces rare qualifications as a teacher—strict in discipline,—being firm and decided in her manner she made the school room very quiet and orderly. Classes in Arithmetic and Reading showed very thorough drilling.

This being her first school Miss Brewer need be encouraged to continue her avocation as a teacher.

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of school in weeks,.....	8	9
Wages of teacher per month including board,.....	\$16 00	\$17 00
Whole number of different scholars,.....	12	16
Average attendance,.....	10	14
Number of scholars between 4 and 14 not attending,....	1	4
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,.....	12	16
Scholars over 16 years of age,.....	0	0
Instances of tardiness,.....	4	0
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,.....	3	2
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,.....	1	0
Number of visits by citizens and others,.....	27	41
Amount of money, \$72 00.		

Prudential Committee, George O. Dunton.

FIFTH DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

UPPER DEPARTMENT

MISS AEBIE H. KIMBALL, Teacher.

By a deep interest manifested in her work and a faithful discharge of her responsible duties, Miss Kimball succeeded in securing the affectionate regard of her pupils and a fair measure of success for this important department.

There was considerable difference on the part of some of the larger scholars in answering *audibly* the questions proposed to them by the teacher and committee at the examination, and I noticed that some scholars read in books altogether too much advanced for their ages, we hope these defects will disappear. The classes in Grammar, Geography, and Mental Arithmetic, showed a good degree of accuracy in their recitations and that progress had been made during the term.

SUMMER AND FALL TERMS.

LOWER DEPARTMENT.

MISS KATE A. ADAMS, Teacher.

Miss Adams taught both summer and fall terms. This school is one which requires patient toil in teaching and developing. The teacher exhibits rare qualifications to manage, instruct and interest small children,—good improvement was apparent to all present at the close of both terms.

It seems almost needless to your Committee that we should employ teachers from out of town when we have so many good ones of our own.

WINTER TERM.

UPPER DEPARTMENT.

MR. LEONARD WILCOX, of Dartmouth College, Teacher.

Unremitting in his endeavors for the welfare of his school, combined with excellent scholarship and a good share of ability in communicating instruction, but with a little deficiency in firmness and disciplinary power; Mr. Wilcox accomplished a good work for this school.

In a school of sixty scholars, with so many different text books and recitations, it is impossible for a thorough teacher to do justice to all the classes, and at the same time to keep the school quiet and in perfect order.

There was commendable progress made in most of the branches pursued.

Mr. Wilcox was the only male teacher employed in town during the year.

	S. T.		W. T.	
	U. D.—L. D.		U. D.—L. D.	
Length of school in weeks,.....	9	9	8	9
Wages of teacher per month including board,.....	\$18 00	\$18 00	\$50 00	\$20 00
Whole number of different scholars, ...	32	32	60	41
Average attendance,.....	28	31	51	35
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending,.....	0	0	0	0
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school, 28		32	35	41
Scholars over 16 years of age,.....	4	0	25	0
Instances of tardiness,.....	7	8	10	9
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,.....	3	3	3	3
Number of visits by Prudential Committee, 2		2	1	1
Number of visits by citizens and others, ..	78	98	95	101
Amount of money, \$256 00.				

Prudential Committee, Norman U. Cahill.

SEVENTH DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

MISS LIZZIE H. CUMMINGS, Teacher.

The scholars appeared quite studious and interested at each visit made by your Committee. The teacher is capable and energetic in the school-room and deserves much credit for the fidelity with which she discharged her duties. I am confident that by experience Miss Cummings will make an excellent teacher.

WINTER TERM.

MISS ABBY C. THOMPSON, of Richmond, Teacher.

This term was under the instruction of a teacher of considerable experience.

Had the order of the school been a little more exact the success of the teacher would have been remarkably good:

Your Committee was not notified of the examination and hence is unable to judge of the progress made during the term.

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of school in weeks,.....	7	7
Wages of teacher per month including board,.....	\$19 00	\$29 00
Whole number of different scholars,.....	19	20
Average attendance,.....	18	17
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending,....	2	0
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,.....	17	17
Scholars over 16 years of age,.....	2	3
Instances of tardiness,.....	5	2
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,.....	2	1
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,.....	3	1
Number of visits by citizens and others,.....	25	6
Amount of money, \$73 00.		

Prudential Committee, B. B. Boyce.

EIGHTH DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

MISS EMMA H. CUTTING, Teacher.

This teacher was untiring in her labors for the well being and prosperity of her school, quiet and unassuming in her man-

ner. She was esteemed by her pupils. A little more energy would be needed in a large school.

WINTER TERM.

MISS HATTIE A. PARKER, of Swanzev, Teacher.

Had some of the larger boys in this school studied more and played less it would have been much more to their credit.

A little more co-operation and interest manifested on the part of some of the citizens of the district would materially aid the teacher in enforcing and sustaining good order.

Miss Parker is a faithful and experienced teacher, who prior to commencing here, had closed a very successful school in District No. 10.

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of school in weeks,.....	8	8
Wages of teacher per month including board,....\$16 00		28 00
Whole number of different scholars,	17	32
Average attendance,.....	13	24
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending,.....	0	0
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,.....	16	25
Scholars over 16 years of age,.....	1	7
Instances of tardiness,.....	5	5
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,.....	2	2
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,.....	2	2
Number of visits by citizens and others,.....	40	39
Amount of money, \$95 00.		

Prudential Committee, Rev. George W. Cutting,

NINTH DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

MISS JUNIETTA SIMONDS, Teacher.

This school when visited during the first week of the term was found to be in good working condition. This was Miss Simonds first attempt in teaching, with a little more force she has the qualifications necessary to success. The closing examination was creditable to teacher and scholar.

WINTER TERM.

Through the well directed efforts of Miss Cummings this term was quite successful. The scholars seemed to study their lessons before coming out to recite.

There was some irregularity of attendance, some of it, perhaps unavoidable, but not all.

Regular and punctual attendance is indispensable to the prosperity of a school.

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of school in weeks,	8	11
Wages of teacher per month including board,	\$15 00	\$20 00
Whole number of different scholars,	22	22
Average attendance,	18	18
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending,	0	0
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,	22	19
Scholars over 16 years of age,	0	3
Instances of tardiness,	1	5
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,	3	2
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,	2	2
Number of visits by citizens and others,	23	46
Amount of money, \$78 00.		

Prudential Committee, Oliver W. Smith.

TENTH DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

MISS MARY G. FAIRBANKS, Teacher.

Miss Fairbanks possesses many of the essential qualifications for a good teacher. Her method of instruction is such as to attract and secure the attention of the pupils. The various classes appeared well at the closing visit. Some small scholars made rapid progress in learning to read and spell. Not a tardy mark during the term.

WINTER TERM.

MISS HATTIE A. PARKER, of Swanzey, Teacher.

This school has been under the charge of the same teacher prior to this term.

It is gratifying to the committee to state that in this teacher we find all that spirit and industry which is necessary to the management and instruction of a Common School. Good order was sustained through the term. The closing examination as well as the other visits made by the Committee evinced a thorough training and a clear understanding of all that had been taught.

The Register was very neatly kept.

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of school in weeks,.....	7	9
Wages of teacher per month including board,.....	\$14 00	\$21 00
Whole number of different scholars,.....	20	21
Average attendance,.....	18	18
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending,....	3	3
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,.....	20	20
Scholars over 16 years of age,.....	0	1
Instances of tardiness,.....	0	2
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,.....	2	2
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,.....	2	2
Number of visits by citizens and others,.....	50	62
Amount of money, \$74 00.		

Prudential Committee, Joel Perham.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

MISS MARY S. RAYMOND, of Royalston, Mass., Teacher.

This teacher has had considerable experience in teaching, her method of instruction is good. The school commenced encouragingly and was satisfactory to the district with one exception where a certain parent for some trivial dissatisfaction or misunderstanding deprived his children of the benefits and advantages of nearly the whole term of school. This is morally wrong; a parent by such a course is doing his children a great injustice.

There was a little Primer Class that appeared remarkably bright and smart at the examination and showed that they had made very rapid progress.

WINTER TERM.

MISS JUNIETTA SIMONDS, Teacher.

It was observed on the first visit that the order of the school was good and the scholars generally studious. There are some good scholars in this school and some that are not so good; the classes in Grammer and Geography and also in spelling showed evidence of thorough training on the part of the teacher.

The school-room was very quiet.

We hope Miss Simonds will teach in town again.

As I remarked at the close of the summer term there seems to be no reason why there should not be a good school in this district. There always will be if the parents, scholars and teacher strive for it.

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of school in weeks,.....	8	7
Wages of teacher per month including board,.....	\$18 00	\$19 00
Whole number of different scholars,.....	19	29
Average attendance,.....	18	23
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending,....	4	0
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,.....	19	28
Scholars over 16 years of age,.....	0	1
Instances of tardiness,.....	0	0
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,.....	2	1
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,.....	1	2
Number of visits by citizens and others,.....	32	46
Amount of money, \$72 00.		

Prudential Committee, F. E. Pierce.

TWELFTH DISTRICT—SUMMER TERM.

MISS SUSAN FISHER, Teacher.

This school was small, scholars backward and diffident but seemed eager to learn. Miss Fisher accomplished a great deal in this school for a beginner, a class of little girls five years of age made fine progress in reading and spelling.

WINTER TERM.

MISS EMILY MARTIN, of Richmond, Teacher.

This teacher commenced her labors with a good degree of interest and zeal and prosecuted them so to the end.

She kept a good school, and the results of her labors were satisfactory to the District.

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of schools in weeks,	6	9
Wages of teacher per month including board,	\$13 00	\$18 00
Whole number of different scholars,	10	10
Average attendance,	7	9
Number of children between 4 and 14 not attending,	0	0
Scholars between 4 and 16 attending school,	10	10
Scholars over 16 years of age,	0	0
Instances of tardiness,	1	1
Number of visits by Superintending Committee,	2	2
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,	0	3
Number of visits by citizens and others,	30	35
Amount of money, \$66 00.		

Prudential Committee, Willard White.

S U M M A R Y .

	S. T.	W. T.
Length of schools in weeks,	95	111
Whole number of different scholars, boys 212, girls 186.		
Total, 398.		
Average wages of male teacher per month, \$50 00.		
Average wages of female teacher per month, \$19 70.		
Number of visits by Superintending Committee, 51.		
Number of visits by Prudential Committee, 38.		
Number of visits by citizens, 1229.		
Amount of money expended for schools, \$1100 17.		
Amount of money appropriated to each scholar, \$2 76.		
Average length of school in each District or Department, 17 weeks.		

Concluding Remarks.

You will allow your Committee in closing his annual report to specify a few things which in his judgment will improve our schools

and educational system which will be his opinion in respect to the best methods of attaining the desired "end," although in so doing he may only repeat with variations the sayings of his respected predecessors.

That "end" which is so justly recognized in the Constitution and Laws of this State in providing for and maintaining our Common Schools, is the training of the young for life, with all its responsibilities, and its fearful issues.

It is an end that includes all others—the development of the physical nature—the refinement of the manners—the discipline of the intellectual powers—the inculcation of the virtues—the outgrowth of the generous and humane affections, the love of country liberty and law, with an abiding reverence for God and Truth.

If our educational system fails to accomplish this end it fails to do that for which it was designed and we believe adapted to accomplish for all the children and youth of the community.

Our school houses may be good, well constructed, and in fine repair, supplied with excellent teachers, good children, and plenty of books, but still there may be a defect, as I have mentioned in many of our schools.

There is every year a great irregularity of attendance occasioned by sickness, children complain of headache and cannot study. The great defect in this case is, a want of the proper means for ventilation.

I am satisfied that the great physical want of our schools particularly in the winter terms is that of pure air, and I would commend the subject of ventilation in particular, and of more appropriate surroundings of our school-rooms, such as out-buildings, grounds, fences, shade trees, and good water to the early and earnest attention of the several districts.

I would recommend the preparation of a small plot of ground near each school-house for the cultivation of flowers, and that the children be required during the summer term with the assistance of their teacher to tend them and raise enough at least to decorate the school-room at the examination, this would be a pleasant and agreeable pastime for the children during mornings, intermissions and recess, it would also aid in the cultivation of the tastes and a love of the beautiful.

I would also suggest that there should be less reading in our schools and more drilling, in giving the proper tone and modulation, and the expression in accordance with the meaning and character of the composition.

Teachers should read more themselves in their schools and set an example for the scholars and require the whole class to read over and over the same sentence until they make it expressive and read it correct.

Teachers should study reading and other lessons and be able to give an example of correctness when necessary as they proceed with the recitations and avoid as much as possible the use of the text book.

More attention should be paid to writing in our common schools ; it is a common expression "that people are not as good penmen now as they were forty or fifty years ago," for the simple reason that this important branch of a good English education has been very much neglected in our schools.

In closing this report I desire again to call attention to the fact that in some instances in this town teachers have been employed in the same school for a year and in one instance nearly two years and in other districts teachers have been employed again in the same schools after an interval of one or more terms. The schools in these instances have been good and profitable and some of them have been attended with marked success. It takes time for teachers to become acquainted with scholars, their different capacities dispositions, wants, and attainments.

I trust this subject will receive the careful consideration of the town and especially of Prudential Committees of the several districts during the coming year, and if so they will not fail to perceive that the true policy is to secure worthy, competent and faithful teachers and continue to employ them, not changing for insufficient reasons, and at the same time not forget that they deserve to be amply paid for their important and responsible labors, in educating and expanding the immortal minds of your children.

And finally in order that our schools may improve from year to year in usefulness and efficiency, all who have an interest in their welfare—and all have this directly or indirectly—should as good citizens faithfully perform what is required.

I thankfully acknowledge the hearty co-operation and courtesy I have uniformly received from Prudential Committees, teachers and citizens and respectfully submit this as the report of my labors for the year.

AMOS J. BLAKE,

Superintending School Committee.

FITZWILLIAM, N. H., March 14th. 1865.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

For the year ending March 14th, 1865.

Number of Orders, 291,—Amount of Orders,.....\$24,705 32

DISBURSEMENT.

Paid the several school districts..... \$1130 17

Paid Notes and Interest.

Paid Julius O. Stone, on note,.....	\$52 00
“ Levi N. Lillie, “ “	109 00
“ Charles T. Heywood, note and interest,....	108 70
“ Jude Damon, “ “ “ ..	1035 66
“ Thomas Forristall, note and interest,.....	207 87
“ Amos J. Blake, “ “ “	207 50
“ Edward B. Ellis, “ “ “	155 92
“ Joel Whittemore, “ “ “	575 50
“ Asa Brewer, “ “ “	166 80
“ Asa Brewer, “ “ “	401 26
“ N. U. Cahill, “ “ “	150 70
“ John Cobleigh, “ “ “	1756 84
“ Wm. Lebourveau, “ “ “	101 50
“ Wm. H. Emerson, “ “ “	529 75
“ J. H. French, “ “ “	424 60
“ D. H. Sawyer, “ “ “	641 50
“ Stephen Taylor, “ “ “	2060 00
“ Cynthia R. Ellis, interest,.....	9 60
“ Artemas W. Gowen, “	40 32
“ Charles Perry, “	61 80

Paid Selina P. Damon, interest,	12 00
" Daniel Spaulding, "	12 00
" Richard Bowen, "	60 00
" Savings Bank Keene, interest,	60 90
" George Cook, "	120 00
" Sarah Lyon, "	10 50
" Bela W. Felch, "	42 00
" Lizzie Cummings, en note,	50 00
" James Corey, interest,	36 00
" Charles B. Perkins, interest,	30 00
" David Perry, "	8 85
" Ann G. Damon, on note and interest,	74 00
" Interest to individuals on assignments,	39 00

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Paid Bounties.

Paid Joseph E. Harkness,	300 00
" John A. Platts,	300 00
" Elijah T. Platts,	300 00
" George H. Wilson,	300 00
" Alpheus Handy,	300 00
" Orrin Brewer,	400 00
" Joseph Whipple,	200 00
" Lewis K. Ward,	300 00

 \$2400 00

PAID BALANCE DUE THREE MONTHS MEN.

Paid Calvin A. Blodgett,	25 75
" Daniel S. Brooks,	25 75
" George Cooledge,	25 75
" Charles S. Blodgett,	25 75
" Silas L. Heywood,	25 75
" Jefferson Richardson,	26 50

 \$155 25

PAID FOR FURNISHING SUBSTITUTES.

Paid Henry B. Streeter,	300 00
" Lorenzo A. Putnam,	300 00
" John N. Richardson,	300 00
" Gilbert A. Petts,	300 00
" Jonas Damon,	300 00

Paid Josiah Wilder, Jr.....	\$300 00
“ Ira W. Ellis,	300 00
“ Edmund Spaulding,.....	300 00
“ Anson Streeter,.....	300 00
“ John W. Shirley,.....	300 00
“ Caleb Sweetser,.....	300 00
“ Charles Byam,	300 00
“ Elbridge Cummings,.....	300 00
“ Joseph H. Streeter,	300 00
“ Almansur J. Streeter,	300 00
“ Wm. H. Shirley,.....	300 00
“ Moses Chaplin.....	300 00
“ Dustin A. Gee,.....	300 00
“ Theophilus W. May,.....	300 00
“ R. Leander Angier,.....	300 00
“ Lyman W. Bowker.....	300 00
“ Marshall P. Damon,.....	300 00
“ Phineas Whitcomb,.....	300 00
“ Leander Richardson,	300 00
“ George W. Parker,.....	300 00
“ Nelson E. Pratt,.....	300 00
“ Timothy Blodgett,.....	300 00
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Paid Soldiers' Families.

Paid to Robert Nixon's	family,.....	\$144 00
“ “ Geo. A. Smilies,	“	144 00
“ “ Daniel P. Osborn,	“	144 00
“ “ Nathan Morse,	“	120 00
“ “ Elisha Rugg,	“	96 00
“ “ J. Orlando Stone,	“	100 00
“ “ Abraham H. Richards,	“	144 00
“ “ Darius H. Whitcomb's	“	96 00
“ “ Lewis K. Ward,	“	96 00
“ “ Paul Martin,	“	68 00
“ “ Daniel H. Reed,	“	70 00
“ “ John A. Platts,	“	34 00
“ “ Levi N. Lillie,	“	36 00
“ “ Joseph E. Harkness,	“	34 00
“ “ H. H. Boyce,	“	24 00
“ “ Elisha Harkness,	“	40 00

Paid to John B. Fisk,	"	.....	40 00	
" " Samuel S. Stone,	"	.....	96 00	
" " John H. Streeter,	"	.....	34 00	
" " Elisha Morse,	"	.....	2 05	
				<hr/> \$1,562 05

Town Paupers.

Paid for Anna Grant,	.....	\$91 09	
" " Sarah Barrus' two children,	.....	86 24	
" " Josiah Wilson,	.....	86 32	
" " Simeon Merrifield,	.....	85 86	
" " Jonas Miles,	.....	69 32	
" " Sarah B. Foster,	.....	67 40	
" " Alonzo F. Stone, including arrears of last year,	.....	67 90	
" " Mrs. Wyman,	.....	5 51	
" " Willie Stone,	.....	1 80	
" " Elihu Morse's boy,	.....	6 49	
" " Willie Barrus,	.....	7 52	
" " Mrs. Hale,	.....	7 50	
" " Dr. Cummings' bill for 1863,	.....	14 40	
			<hr/> \$597 35
Paid expenses of Mary Carter, from cash in trust,	.....	\$82 30	

County Paupers.

Paid for Wm. Bragg,	.....	76 51	
" " Azubah Locke,	.....	53 00	
" " Transient Paupers,	.....	18 40	
			<hr/> \$147 91

Expenses of Town Hall.

Paid Asa S. Kendall, for taking care of Town Hall and Clock and expenses,	42 86	
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Town Officers.

Paid Selectmen,	275 00	
" Sexton,	44 55	
" Superintending School Committee,	40 00	
" Town Clerk,	.....	21 50	
" Treasurer,	.....	20 00	
" Firewards,	.....	12 00	
" Auditors,	.....	4 00	
			<hr/> \$417 05

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Alfred Whitney, plank &c.,.....	17	90
.. Ora Holman, repairing and breaking roads,....	23	00
.. Charles Byam repairing bridge,.....	23	00
.. S. W. Carroll,	4	00
.. Amasa Wilson,	3	30
.. Joel Perham,	2	92
.. Sylvanus Holman, railing, poles &c.....	5	67
.. J. T. Collins, repairing bridge,.....	7	26
.. Phineas Whitcomb, breaking roads,.....	20	00
.. Herman Fisher,	4	50
.. James Holman,	6	00
.. Ivers Emerson.	3	67
.. Theophilus W. May,	8	25
.. Ira L. Morse,	8	91
.. Wm. Lebourveau, building bridge and breaking roads,.....	11	34
.. Daniel S. Bartlett, breaking roads,	18	00
.. Dustin A. Gee,	10	00
.. D. W. Farrar,	3	00
.. Henry H. Wheeler	11	00
.. Non Resident Highway Taxes worked,.....	15	16
		—————\$211 88

Miscellaneous.

Paid for 100 feet hose for Engine Company,....	231	15
.. .. 20 Engine men,.....	60	00
.. .. Printing Reports,.....	37	70
.. .. Abatement of taxes,.....	45	60
.. .. Ringing Town Bell,.....	23	50
.. .. Fares to West Lebanon, for correction of enrollment list and expenses of putting in volunteers,.....	36	15
.. .. Printing certificates &c. for S. S. Com. ..	8	63
.. .. Selectmen's Room,.....	4	50
.. .. Steward's bill,.....	8	50
.. .. Perambulating Town lines,.....	7	00
.. .. Revenue Stamps,.....	13	60
.. .. Stationery,.....	3	67
.. .. Express,.....	4	15
.. .. Invoice and Collector's books,.....	1	88

Paid for Order book,	6 00	
.. .. Highway warrants and blanks,	1 70	
.. .. Legal advice &c.	1 50	
.. .. Repairing two Guide Boards,	2 75	
.. .. Powder and fuse &c.	1 00	
.. .. Affidavits to Dr. Cummings,	2 00	
.. .. Repairs on Town House,	2 75	
.. .. Postage,	3 20	
		<hr/> \$506 93

Recapitulation.

Paid School money,	1130 17	
.. Debts,	9352 07	
.. Bounties,	2400 00	
.. Balance due three months men,	155 25	
.. For furnishing Substitutes.	8100 00	
.. Soldiers' families,	1562 05	
.. Town Paupers,	597 35	
.. Expenses of Mary Carter,	82 30	
.. County Paupers,	147 91	
.. Expenses of Town Hall and Clock,	42 86	
.. Town Officers,	417 05	
.. For Roads and Bridges,	211 88	
.. Miscellaneous,	506 93	
		<hr/> \$24,705 82

Liabilities of the Town.

David Perry, Note dated May 10th, 1861, ..	147 50
Geo. L. Stearns,	100 00
Savings Bank, Sept. 16th, 1862, ..	1000 00
Otis Hayden, 20th, ..	100 00
Selina P. Damon, 22d, ..	200 00
Artemas W. Gowen,	336 00
Cynthia R. Ellis,	80 00
Charles Perry, Oct. 13th, ..	500 00
Ann G. Damon, 25th, ..	350 00
Bela W. Felch, 17th, 1863, ..	700 00
C. H. Forristall, Dec. 12th, ..	125 00
Sarah Lyon, 14th, ..	175 00
Henry Shirley, 17th, ..	800 00
Julius O. Stone, 21st, ..	250 00
Levi N. Lillie,	600 00

Wm. H. Emerson, Note dated Dec. 24th, 1863,	500 00
Daniel Spaulding, 26th, ..	200 00
Richard Bowen,	1000 00
Joanna Bowen,	200 00
Nathan Putney,	350 00
James Corey, Jan. 1st, 1864,	600 00
Charles B. Perkins,	500 00
Ann E. Nixon, 2d ..	400 00
John A. Platts, March 10th,	300 00
Elijah T. Platts,	300 00
Alpheus Handy, April 12th,	300 00
Geo. H. Wilson, 14th,	300 00
Joseph Harris, June 16th,	100 00
Lyman Cobleigh, July 28th,	2000 00
Levi Tower, Aug. 1st,	150 00
Artemas W. Gowen, 5th,	150 00
Israel Lamb,	200 00
Samuel D. Knight, 9th,	550 00
Lizzie Cummings,	350 00
Winslow Phillips, 15th,	436 00
David Whitney, 19th,	200 00
Jesse Forristall, 19th,	175 00
Richard Bowen, 22d,	500 00
Calvin Bemis, 23d,	700 00
Ira L. Morse, 27th,	300 00
Susan W. Prescott, 30th,	700 00
Russell Morse,	800 00
Lovina Shirley, Sept. 1st,	266 86
David Perry,	500 00
Wm. H. Emerson, 6th,	1500 00
Elisha Chaplin,	300 00
Daniel S. Bartlett, 7th, ..	100 00
Hannah Sweetser, 9th, ..	140 00
Eunice Stevens, .. Oct. 1st, ..	100 00
Richard Bowen, .. Jan. 2d, 1865,	1000 00
C. C. Alger, 4th, ..	1000 00
Jane E. Whitcomb, .. Feb. 18th, 1865,	350 00
Nancy Ketchum,	100 00
Edwin N. Bowen,	200 00
George Cook, 27th, ..	1000 00
*Charles B. Wilson, Note dated Feb. 5th, 1864,	400 00
Elisha Chaplin, 25th, 1865,	500 00

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*Omitted last year by mistake.

Assets.

Due from U. S. Government,.....	\$3118 00	
.. .. State for State aid,.....	1244 05	
.. .. County,.....	36 00	
Estimated value of Liquor on hand,.....	80 00	
Money in Town Treasury,.....	917 63	
Due from Collector for 1864,.....	653 10	
		\$6,048 78
Indebtedness of the Town,.....	\$19,132 58	

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. L. STEARNS,	{	Selectmen
WM. H. SHIRLEY,		of
MILTON CHAPLIN,		Fitzwilliam.

The subscribers, having examined the above report of the Selectmen, find it accurately cast and correctly vouched, and believe it to be a true statement of their doings in behalf of the Town. We however think the Report should have embraced a Settlement with the Highway Surveyors. We think it would be of advantage to the town, if the Surveyors were *required* to make due return of their warrants according to law.

JOEL WHITTEMORE,	}	Auditors.
ASA S. KENDALL.		

Fitzwilliam, March 4th, 1865.

TREASURER'S REPORT,

March 4th, 1865.

Receipts.

Balance last year.....	\$1,237 16
County Paupers.....	142 51
Literary Fund.....	99 96
Showman's License.....	10 00
Soldier's bounties.....	886 00
Grass on Common.....	2 97
Grass on Burying Ground.....	2 00
State Aid.....	1,509 86
Paid Road Tax.....	234 81
Taxes for 1864.....	3585 00
Hired Money.....	17,689 43
Cash on trust.....	220 00
Hay Scales.....	14 75
Town Hall.....	89 00
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Total Receipts.....	\$25,623 45

Expenditures.

Paid 291 Selectmen's Orders.....	24,705 82
Cash in Treasury.....	917 62
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	\$25 623 45
The amount of Taxes the Collector for 1864, was order-	
ed by the Selectmen to pay the Treasurer is	\$4238 40
The amount the Collector has paid is	3585 00
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Balance due from him	\$653 10

A. A. PARKER. Treasurer.

March 4th, 1865.

The subscribers have examined the above report of the Town Treasurer and find it accurately cast and properly vouched.

JOEL WHITTEMORE, }
ASA S. KENDALL, } Auditors.

